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Magnetic Force Devices, Systems, and Methods for Resisting Tissue Collapse

Within the Pharyngeal Conduit

AMENDMENT A AND SUMMARY OF INTERVIEW

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This Amendment responds to the Office Action mailed March 14, 2006.

An automatic three month extension of time to respond, up to and including September 14, 2006, is respectfully requested.

Please amend the application as follows:

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